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Appln. No. 09/815,781
Filing Date: March 23, 2001
Group Art Unit: 2672

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Please note that the "**Applicant(s)**" section is incomplete (i.e., the third and fourth applicants have inadvertently been omitted). Therefore, please insert the third and fourth applicants to read -- **MASAKAZU MOKUNO, Tokyo, Japan--** and --**HIDEKI HARA, Kanagawa, Japan--**.

Please note that the priority claim has been changed (see executed Declaration and Power of Attorney) to include only JAPAN 2000-82686 and JAPAN 2000-36191 (the priority claim has been withdrawn as to JAPAN 2000-309787 and JAPAN 2000-309788).

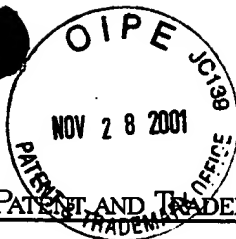
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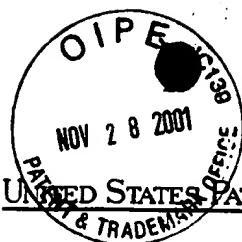
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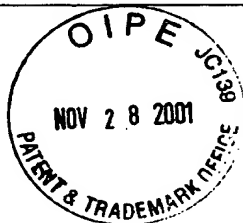
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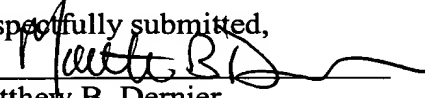
Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing please find an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney in connection with the above-identified application. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 12-1095 in the amount of \$130.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e). Also enclosed is a copy of PTO form entitled "NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION."

Applicants request that the Examiner rescind the claim of priority made in the unexecuted Declaration as filed and substitute therefore the claim of priority made in the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney filed herewith.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this application, he or she is requested to call applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000. If any additional fees are required by the present Communication, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge them to our Deposit Account No. 12-1095.

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